

# House Study Bill 269

HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
HUMAN RESOURCES BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON UPMEYER)

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to crimes against members of the species Homo  
2 sapiens at any stage of development and making penalties  
3 applicable.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
5 TLSB 3127YC 81  
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 707.12 APPLICATION.  
1 2 1. For the purposes of sections 707.1, 707.2, 707.3,  
1 3 707.4, and 707.11, as it pertains to the victim of a crime,  
1 4 "person" includes a member of the species Homo sapiens, at any  
1 5 stage of development when carried in the womb or after birth.  
1 6 2. Sections 707.1, 707.2, 707.3, 707.4, and 707.11 shall  
1 7 not apply to a legal abortion to which the pregnant woman or a  
1 8 person legally authorized to act on the pregnant woman's  
1 9 behalf consented, or for which consent is implied by law.  
1 10 EXPLANATION  
1 11 This bill provides that for the purposes of certain  
1 12 sections of the Code, as they pertain to victims of murder or  
1 13 manslaughter, "person" includes a member of the species Homo  
1 14 sapiens, at any stage of development when carried in the womb  
1 15 or after birth. The sections of the Code are: section 707.1  
1 16 (murder); section 707.2 (murder in the first degree); section  
1 17 707.3 (murder in the second degree); section 707.4 (voluntary  
1 18 manslaughter); and section 707.11 (attempt to commit murder).  
1 19 The bill also provides that those sections do not apply to  
1 20 a legal abortion to which the pregnant woman or a person  
1 21 legally authorized to act on the pregnant woman's behalf  
1 22 consented, or for which consent is implied by law.  
1 23 Under the bill, the penalty for each crime is applicable to  
1 24 the perpetrator for each such victim.  
1 25 LSB 3127YC 81  
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